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NSF - DR. RONKIN (INFO)

DR. STEVER:NSF - (INFO)

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TO AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV PRIORITY

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SUBJECT: BSF: BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING

REF: TEL AVIV 903

1. DEVELOPMENTS HERE MAKE IT ESSENTIAL STEVER RETURN TO WASHINGTON IN TIME ATTEND EMERGENCY MEETING OF NATIONAL SCIENCE BOARD ON THURSDAY, FEB 19. TO DO SO HE WOULD HAVE TO LEAVE TEL AVIV TWA 803, 7:20 A.M. WEDNESDAY, FEB 18. HE PROPOSED THAT MONDAY BE DEVOTED TO VISIT PROGRAM WHICH IS VIEWED AS IMPORTANT BOARD ACTIVITY AND THAT TUESDAY BE DEVOTED TO MEETING OF BOARD. EVERY EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO COVER AGENDA IN ONE DAY. CERTAINLY ALL PRIORITY ITEMS CAN BE SO COVERED. OTHER VISITS COULD BE MADE ON WEDNESDAY FEB 18 BY REMAINING BOARD MEMBERS.

2. DR. STEVER HAS ACCEPTED INVITATION TO DINE WITH SAUL ABARBANEL, RECTOR, TEL AVIV UNIVERSITY, EVENING OF FEB 17, AND WILL RETURN TO TEL AVIV AFTER BOARD MEETING THAT DAY.

3. PLEASE CONVEY TO ISRAELI BOARD MEMBERS DR. STEVER'S REGRET THAT EXIGENCIES HERE REQUIRE HIS EARLY RETURN AND
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HIS HOPE THAT THEY FIND THIS ARRANGEMENT ACCEPTABLE.

4. EMBASSY REQUESTED TO CONFIRM IF POSSIBLE, BY
IMMEDIATE CABLE. SELLIN WILL IN ANY CASE TELEPHONE
YOUNTS ON THIS MATTER 9:00 AM, MONDAY, FEB 9, WASH. TIME.
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